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Re: Status Inquiry
Application No. 10/598,358
Filed: August 24, 2006
Our ref: 2017-106

Dear Sirs:

The above-referenced U.S. Patent Application was *electronically filed more than 20 months ago* and we have not received any communications from the PTO whatsoever so far.

Applicant respectfully requests an official filing receipt be immediately issued and an examiner be assigned on this case.

Sincerely yours,

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